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GREENSBORO POLICE PROVIDE WEB BASED INFORMATION TO CITIZENS

GREENSBORO, NC (December 12, 2005) – On December 7, 2005 the Greensboro Police Department implemented the Police to Citizen (P2C) application of its records management system incorporated in 2004.

What is P2C?

P2C is an internet-based application that enables citizens to perform simple searches, download reports, and report non-emergency incidents online. Interactive features also allow citizens to search for events within the agency's jurisdiction, map the events, and view reports associated with those events.

Citizens can access P2C by visiting the department's website at www.greensboro-nc.gov/Police

Benefits of P2C

Prior to P2C citizens had to physically respond to a police station in order to obtain copies of accidents or incident reports. This technology is expected to save fuel, time and effort for citizens since reports can be printed at any time of day or night from a location that's convenient for the consumer.

Police Chief David Wray also noted, "Citizens in Greensboro are actively involved in community policing and they want to stay abreast of criminal activity. We traditionally have shared that information at community meetings or through written reports. P2C will be a great additional tool because it allows them to monitor crime on a daily basis instead of just at month's end." He also noted that P2C can be a money-saver for the agency by providing the information directly to citizens rather than have that information prepared internally by crime analysts.

Crime victims can also report non-emergency activity on-line. That information will be followed up by a phone call from the Telephone Response Unit in order to validate the original information. In order to deter false crime reports, citizens must agree to the terms of reporting and will be shown the following notification:

The reporting of a false crime is illegal in the state of North Carolina under statute 14-225: False reports to law enforcement agencies or officers. Please be on notice that it is a misdemeanor to make any false, misleading, or unfounded report, through this website, that is intended to interfere with, hinder, or obstruct a law enforcement officer from doing his or her duties. Violators will be prosecuted.

Cost

There was no additional cost for P2C. The application is part of a software suite implemented by the Police Department in 2004.

The City of Greensboro works in partnership with the community to build an increased quality of life for all residents by fostering an environment where inclusion, diversity, and trust are valued. As the seventh largest employer in Greensboro, the City has a dedicated professional staff of 2700 employees who maintain four core values of honesty, integrity, stewardship, and respect. The City of Greensboro is governed by a council-manager form of government where a mayor and eight council members act as the legislative body. For more information on the City of Greensboro, please visit us online at www.greensboro-nc.gov.